



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 7898**
Norikazu SUGAYA : Attorney Docket No. 2005_0044A
Serial No. 10/526,742 : Group Art Unit 1746
Filed March 7, 2005 : Examiner Zeinab E. El-Arini

**METHOD FOR PRECLUDING ELUTION
OF LEAD AND NICKEL FROM COPPER
ALLOY PLUMBING HARDWARE, SUCH
AS VALVES AND TUBE COUPLINGS, THE
COPPER ALLOY PLUMBING HARDWARE,
AND LIQUID FOR RINSING
THE PLUMBING HARDWARE**

Mail Stop Amendment

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE
FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of June 28, 2006, the time for responding thereto being extended for one month in accordance with a Petition for Extension of Time submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows: